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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

with request for inclusion in the agenda for the debate on cases of breaches of human rights, democracy and the rule of law

pursuant to Rule 122 of the Rules of Procedure

on the case of Gilad Shalit

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European Parliament resolution on the case of Gilad Shalit

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the 1949 third Geneva Convention and common article 3 to 1949 Geneva conventions,
- having regard to the 1979 International convention against the taking of hostages,
- having regard to its resolutions of 13 November 2006, 13 June 2007, 12 July 2007, 21 February 2008 and 4 September 2008,
- having regard to Rule 122(5) of its Rules of Procedure,
 - A. whereas Corporal Gilad Shalit was kidnapped by Hamas armed forces on 25 June 2006 from Israeli soil,
 - B. whereas Gilad Shalit is a European (French) and Israeli citizen,
 - C. whereas since being taken hostage Corporal Shalit is being kept in Gaza incommunicado where he does not enjoy basic rights according to the third article to the Geneva Convention and to the third Geneva Convention,
 - D. whereas the Hamas has assumed responsibility for the continuing detention of Gilad Shalit and has also declared he is being held in accordance with relevant Conventions,
- 1. Calls for the immediate release of Gilad Shalit;
- 2. Calls upon Hamas to comply with its declaration to award Gilad Shalit the rights and privileges in accordance with the 3rd Geneva Convention;
- 3. Deplores the continued disregard for Gilad Shalit's basic human rights as well as the lack of information concerning his wellbeing that is provided to his family;
- 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign and Security Policy and the President of the Council of the European Union.